

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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AN ACT

To eliminate taxpayer financing of political party conventions and reprogram savings to provide for a 10-year pediatric research initiative through the Common Fund administered by the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Gabriella Miller Kids
3 First Research Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF TAXPAYER FINANCING OF POLIT-**
5 **ICAL PARTY CONVENTIONS; USE OF FUNDS**
6 **FOR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH INITIATIVE.**

7 (a) TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS FOR CONVENTIONS;
8 USE OF FUNDS FOR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH.—Section
9 9008 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
10 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

11 “(i) TERMINATION OF PAYMENTS FOR CONVEN-
12 TIONS; USE OF AMOUNTS FOR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH INI-
13 TIATIVE.—Effective on the date of the enactment of the
14 Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act—

15 “(1) the entitlement of any major party or
16 minor party to a payment under this section shall
17 terminate; and

18 “(2) all amounts in each account maintained
19 for the national committee of a major party or
20 minor party under this section shall be transferred
21 to a fund in the Treasury to be known as the ‘10-
22 Year Pediatric Research Initiative Fund’, which
23 shall be available only for the purpose provided in
24 section 402A(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act,
25 and only to the extent and in such amounts as are
26 provided in advance in appropriation Acts.”.

1 (b) CONTINUATION OF PRIORITY OF PAYMENTS
2 FROM ACCOUNTS OVER PAYMENTS TO CANDIDATES.—

3 (1) AVAILABILITY OF PAYMENTS TO CAN-
4 DIDATES.—The third sentence of section 9006(c) of
5 such Code is amended by striking “section
6 9008(b)(3),” and inserting “section 9008(i)(2),”.

7 (2) AVAILABILITY OF PAYMENTS FROM PRESI-
8 DENTIAL PRIMARY MATCHING PAYMENT ACCOUNT.—
9 The second sentence of section 9037(a) of such Code
10 is amended by striking “section 9008(b)(3)” and in-
11 serting “section 9008(i)(2)”.

12 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

13 (1) ELIMINATION OF REPORTS BY FEDERAL
14 ELECTION COMMISSION.—Section 9009(a) of such
15 Code is amended—

16 (A) by adding “and” at the end of para-
17 graph (2);

18 (B) by striking the semicolon at the end of
19 paragraph (3) and inserting a period; and

20 (C) by striking paragraphs (4), (5), and
21 (6).

22 (2) ELIMINATION OF PENALTIES.—Section
23 9012 of such Code is amended—

24 (A) in subsection (a)(1), by striking the
25 second sentence;

1 (B) in subsection (c), by striking para-
 2 graph (2) and redesignating paragraph (3) as
 3 paragraph (2);

4 (C) in subsection (e)(1), by striking the
 5 second sentence; and

6 (D) in subsection (e)(3), by striking “, or
 7 in connection with any expense incurred by the
 8 national committee of a major party or minor
 9 party with respect to a presidential nominating
 10 convention”.

11 **SEC. 3. 10-YEAR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH INITIATIVE.**

12 (a) ALLOCATION OF NIH FUNDS IN COMMON FUND
 13 FOR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH.—Paragraph (7) of section
 14 402(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
 15 282(b)) is amended to read as follows:

16 “(7)(A) shall, through the Division of Program
 17 Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives—

18 “(i) identify research that represents im-
 19 portant areas of emerging scientific opportuni-
 20 ties, rising public health challenges, or knowl-
 21 edge gaps that deserve special emphasis and
 22 would benefit from conducting or supporting
 23 additional research that involves collaboration
 24 between 2 or more national research institutes

1 or national centers, or would otherwise benefit
2 from strategic coordination and planning;

3 “(ii) include information on such research
4 in reports under section 403; and

5 “(iii) in the case of such research sup-
6 ported with funds referred to in subparagraph
7 (B)—

8 “(I) require as appropriate that pro-
9 posals include milestones and goals for the
10 research;

11 “(II) require that the proposals in-
12 clude timeframes for funding of the re-
13 search; and

14 “(III) ensure appropriate consider-
15 ation of proposals for which the principal
16 investigator is an individual who has not
17 previously served as the principal investi-
18 gator of research conducted or supported
19 by the National Institutes of Health;

20 “(B)(i) may, with respect to funds reserved
21 under section 402A(c)(1) for the Common Fund, al-
22 locate such funds to the national research institutes
23 and national centers for conducting and supporting
24 research that is identified under subparagraph (A);
25 and

1 “(ii) shall, with respect to funds appropriated
 2 to the Common Fund pursuant to section
 3 402A(a)(2), allocate such funds to the national re-
 4 search institutes and national centers for making
 5 grants for pediatric research that is identified under
 6 subparagraph (A); and

7 “(C) may assign additional functions to the Di-
 8 vision in support of responsibilities identified in sub-
 9 paragraph (A), as determined appropriate by the Di-
 10 rector;”.

11 (b) FUNDING FOR 10-YEAR PEDIATRIC RESEARCH
 12 INITIATIVE.—Section 402A of the Public Health Service
 13 Act (42 U.S.C. 282a) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)—

15 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1)
 16 through (3) as subparagraphs (A) through (C),
 17 respectively, and moving the indentation of each
 18 such subparagraph 2 ems to the right;

19 (B) by striking “For purposes of carrying
 20 out this title” and inserting the following:

21 “(1) THIS TITLE.—For purposes of carrying
 22 out this title”; and

23 (C) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(2) FUNDING FOR 10-YEAR PEDIATRIC RE-
 25 SEARCH INITIATIVE THROUGH COMMON FUND.—For

1 the purpose of carrying out section 402(b)(7)(B)(ii),
2 there is authorized to be appropriated to the Com-
3 mon Fund, out of the 10-Year Pediatric Research
4 Initiative Fund described in section 9008 of the In-
5 ternal Revenue Code of 1986, and in addition to
6 amounts otherwise made available under paragraph
7 (1) of this subsection and reserved under subsection
8 (c)(1)(B)(i) of this section, \$12,600,000 for each of
9 fiscal years 2014 through 2023.”; and

10 (2) in subsections (c)(1)(B), (c)(1)(D), and (d),
11 by striking “subsection (a)” each place it appears
12 and inserting “subsection (a)(1)”.

13 (c) SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT; PROHIBITION
14 AGAINST TRANSFER.—Funds appropriated pursuant to
15 section 402A(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, as
16 added by subsection (b)—

17 (1) shall be used to supplement, not supplant,
18 the funds otherwise allocated by the National Insti-
19 tutes of Health for pediatric research; and

20 (2) notwithstanding any transfer authority in
21 any appropriation Act, shall not be used for any
22 purpose other than allocating funds for making
23 grants as described in section 402(b)(7)(B)(ii) of the

- 1 Public Health Service Act, as added by subsection
- 2 (a).

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Attest:

Clerk.

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